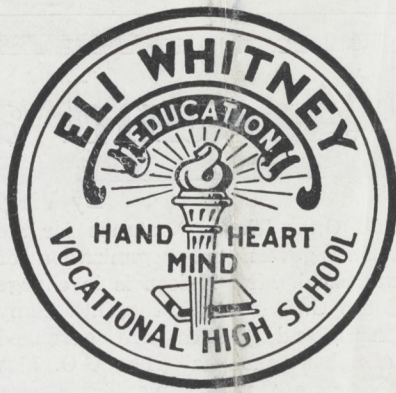


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## Introducing New Teacher Aides Aides Come from Varied Backgrounds

By Denise McQuade  
and William Valcarcel

Since last February there have been several new faces gracing the halls of Whitney. These people have been designated as teacher aides by the Board of Education. Their job is to assist our teachers in maintaining order and decorum in the building.

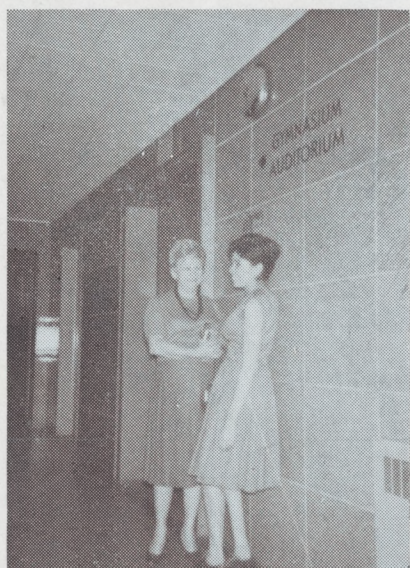
The female aides take time out from their housework to assume their present responsibilities. Some of them, notably Mrs. Baron and Mrs. Marano, have additional duties as President and Vice President respectively, of our P.T.A. Our other aides include Mrs. Nunziata, Mrs. DeMieri, Mrs. Pierre and Mrs. Okul. They all share the opinion that on the whole, the Whitney student body is a cooperative and courteous one. Mrs. Marano adds that "they call me their den mother."

The male teacher aides busy themselves in other areas besides their present duties. Mr. Berzansky and Mr. Ellis are New York City Transit Patrolmen. Mr. Smith works in the post office. (Ed. Note: The staff of the *Green and Gold* express their sorrow to Mr. Smith upon the loss of his mother.) Mr. Tomczak, a graduate of Eli Whitney, is currently enrolled in City College and he hopes to become a Social Studies teacher. Mr. Iovino is employed at the Department of Public Works. Finally, Mr. Haynes is a physical director for the Children's Aid Society. They all emphasize the importance of education and they fervently hope that Whitney students take their education in a similar vein.

### Alumnotes

The following graduates are now in service:

Olga Gonzalez — Navy; Anna Butts — Air Force; William Rosario — Air Force.



(Photo by Denise McQuade)

Mrs. Baron encourages students to interest their parents in the school P.T.A.



(Photo by Denise McQuade)

Mrs. Marano's charm shines forth as she greets two Whitney students.

## Attention Explore

President Kennedy's program to encourage dropouts to return to school was enacted at Eli Whitney on September 16, 23, and 30. We have been one of the few schools in the city to have an excellent response. Mr. Mayron, Mr. Schwartz and Mrs. Stone are the counselors in charge of this program.

The dropout situation is a very serious problem. Lack of success in school, family problems, need of money and pressure from friends are some of the reasons for students dropping out of school.

There are several possibilities for those who leave school:

(1) Under a Project 3 program, the student goes to the high school where the program is offered. He takes six weeks of training in an area such as filing and then is helped to find a job.

(2) Any Evening Academic High School is available for a person not attending day school. He can earn his diploma at such a school.

(3) Evening Trade Schools are opened to anyone working in a trade or in an allied field so he can advance in a trade or learn a trade.

(4) The New York State Employment Service helps dropouts to get jobs in their trade areas. (Mr. Marks, our employment counselor, is available for guidance in this area.)

(5) Finally, one can earn a diploma by taking what is known as a High School Equivalency Test. All dropouts can apply for this test through the State Education Department.

## Potential Dropout: New Possibilities

By Linda Fedele



(Green and Gold photo By Denise McQuade)

Mr. Mayron, our guidance coordinator, who has a busy schedule this year. The students who drop out of school are of great concern to Mr. Mayron.

## \* G.O. Report \*

The G.O. Executive Council will meet with Mr. Platt in his office during the fourth period of the first Monday of every month.

Janie Thornton will go to Albany on November 14 and 15. She has been

selected as a delegate to the State-Wide Conference on Children and Youth.

Walter Murrell, G.O. President, and Carmen Figueroa, our delegate to the City Council were invited to the Richard Welling Conference at Andover, New Jersey. They spent the weekend of October 25 taking part in this City Wide G.O. Conference.

The first dance, the G.O. Senior Dance, was held on Wednesday October 30 in the gym. All seniors who were of course G.O. members were admitted free. Door prizes were given out. The dates for the next two G.O. dances are November 21 and December 5.

During the week of October 28 the G.O. sold pumpkin bags at 5 cents each. The money was donated to UNICEF.

The next project will be a sale of candy. The money will be used to buy gifts for the children of Greenpoint Hospital. The choral group made up of Glee Club members will sing Christmas Carols in the wards of the hospital during the week before Christmas.

The G.O. is selling Katherine Bleich

Candy for the Cancer Fund. Golden Crumbles are \$1.00, Katydids are \$1.50 and Chocolate and Almonds are \$1.50. Students who sell these cans of candy will receive service credit. The student who sells the most cans will receive a can of Golden Crumbles as a gift.

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G.O.

### IN MEMORIAM

The students and faculty members of Eli Whitney Vocational High School wish to express their deepest sympathy to the DiBernardo Family upon their loss. Mrs. Natalie DiBernardo was a highly esteemed and deeply loved teacher in our school.

To perpetuate her memory a medal will be awarded to a deserving senior at the yearly graduation exercises. This award will be known as *The Natalie DiBernardo Award*.

## Whitney Welcomes 8 New Teachers, Also New Adviser for Green and Gold

By Doris Bliszinska

There are several new additions to the Eli Whitney Faculty this year.

In the Academic Department the new staff members include Mr. Altman and Mr. Harris (Social Studies), Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Bouvier (English).

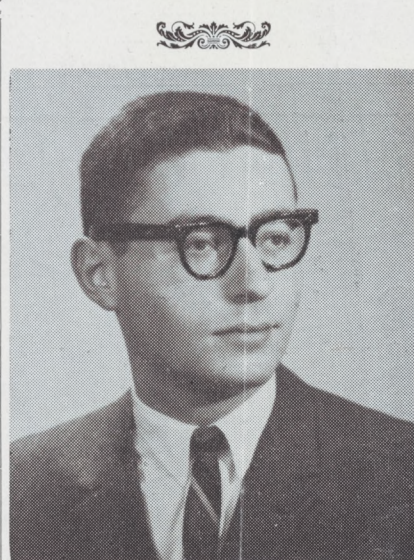
Other newcomers to Whitney include Mrs. Ulman and Miss Liebowitz (Commercial Department), Mr. Solomon (Related Tech) and Mrs. Carbo (Trade Dressmaking).

Our new teachers have interests that range from photography to bowling. They are all quite enthusiastic about teaching at Whitney and they welcome the wonderful cooperation that they have received from the student body. We are certainly very

happy to have them with us and we look forward to a long and renewed association.

Mr. Herbert Greenberg is the new faculty adviser for "The Green and Gold." Mr. Greenberg teaches English to the students in the Health Conversation Class. In addition, he has a special group of handicapped students for the study of French.

Mr. Greenberg graduated from Brooklyn College and this is his second year at Whitney. He is especially happy to see the wonderful cooperation that the student body and faculty show toward the handicapped students. He adds, also, that he would like to see more interest in the school newspaper and urges all who are interested to see him in Room B42.



Mr. H. Greenberg



# TRUST IN EDUCATION

November 10-16 has been designated as National Education Week and we should pause a moment and reflect on the importance of education in our modern society.

Many young people today are not aware of the value of an education. The percentage of dropouts has increased in the past few years. The unskilled men and women will get jobs that in time they will grow to hate because of automation. To ensure success and enjoyment of one's job, a high school diploma is an absolute necessity.

President Kennedy's special committee on the dropout situation is strongly urging everyone to return to school. If you have any friends who have left school, encourage them to return. If you are one of those who is contemplating leaving school, give your decision a good deal of hard thinking. Emphasize to your parents the importance of visiting your teachers during Open School Week. The dates are Monday afternoon November 18, 12:40-3:00 P.M., and Tuesday evening November 19, 7:00-9:30 P.M.

# HI, FRESHMEN!

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome the Freshman Class to Eli Whitney. Take heed of the advice that has been offered to you. Get off on the right foot, for your freshman record very often determines the outcome of your entire high school career. Join many organizations in our schools, for besides the service credit that you earn, you are rewarded with many social and vocational advantages. See our AROUND AND ABOUT column for further information.

# GET WELL, SOON

The faculty and student body of Eli Whitney wish a very speedy recovery to Mr. Magid.

# WHY?

- Why should I become a G.O. member?
- Why should I attend school regularly?
- Why should I do my homework faithfully?
- Why should I keep my school clean?
- Why should I cooperate with my teachers?
- Why should I present a neat appearance at all times?

BECAUSE . . . I am an aware and responsible citizen who realizes that a proper attitude will not only benefit my school but also myself. Margaret Vecchione, you have the right idea about Eli Whitney.

(Ed. Note: See "Excerpt from a Student Letter.")



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# Around and About

By Virginia Torre

**THE G.O.:** The G.O. stands for the student government organization of our school. Mrs. Naison is in charge of the G.O. Through the G.O. many dances and parties are arranged throughout the year. The G.O. also sponsors a charity drive. The officers of the G.O. include: President: Walter Murrell, Vice President: Janie Thornton, Secretary: Connie La Fonte, Treasurer: Camille Maggio, Boro Council: Carolyn Marono and Michael Auteri, City Council: Carmen Figueroa and John Baldwin.

**PAN AMERICAN CLUB:** The teacher in charge is Mr. Rubenstein. The President is Elba Torres and Vice President is Emma Cruz. The club meets every Tuesday after checkout in Room 209. All new members are welcome. Many trips and parties are being planned.

**DRAMATICS CLUB:** Mr. Dolan is in charge. Among the projects being planned is a production of "Charlie's Aunt."

**NEWMAN CLUB:** Mr. Chocianowski and Mr. Dolan are our leaders for this group. The president is Ann Langone and Josephine Martinez is the vice president. Meetings are held every Wednesday during the tenth period in the library. The club meets each first Friday at 7:20 a.m. for Mass. New members are invited to attend.

**HONOR SOCIETY:** The Honor Society is for students with an average of 85% or above. It is our chapter of the National Honor Society. It meets Thursday mornings at 8:00 a.m. in Room 209. Mr. Rubenstein is in charge

**NEWSPAPER STAFF:** The "Green and Gold" meets during the tenth period every Tuesday after checkout. We welcome all new members. Mr. H. Greenberg is in charge. Camille Maggio and Rosalie Madaio are Co-Editors-in-Chief.



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Presenting the Green and Gold Co-Editors, Camille Maggio and Rosalie Madaio.

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# Principal's Message



Mr. Platt

Dear Friends:

We have embarked upon our new school year with high hopes for successful accomplishments. More and more, our students are applying themselves seriously to their studies with the result that scholarship has been rising and the number of failing students has been decreasing. It seems to me that boys and girls do realize the importance of their schooling for their future. The large number of dropouts who are seeking readmission to school is proof that no one can succeed without an adequate education.

In addition to serious studies, this year should be full of excitement and adventure with the opening of the World's Fair. The eyes of the entire world will be focused on New York City. You may be sure that many visitors from all over the world will come to see us at Whitney as part of their trip to the World's Fair.

I wish each one of you a very successful and healthy school year.

Cordially yours,  
Sidney Platt  
Principal

# Excerpt from A Student Letter

Here are two paragraphs from a letter that Mrs. Naison received from Margaret Vecchione, a June, 1963 graduate:

"I'm so in love with this place, and if it hadn't been for all of the wonderful teachers at Eli Whitney, who taught me and led me in the right direction, I know I wouldn't be here. I am very grateful to each and every one at Eli Whitney Vocational High School, for all the assistance, guidance, and attention I received during my four years there.

"Mrs. Naison, I hope you will show this letter to my former teachers, so that they can see how thankful I am, and how their training didn't go to waste, and also, just because they are out of sight, they aren't and will never be out of mind."

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## Meet Whitney Fashion Queen Theresa Carrano Sparkles at A&S

Hi there! My name is Theresa Carrano, a junior dressmaking student and also your A&S representative for this year. My responsibilities are to bring the fashion needs of our school to A&S.

At A&S I attend monthly meetings with Pat Allen our team coordinator and many girls from various schools to discuss the current fashion trends. For example, the meeting in October was on "How to decorate your bedroom." Also, besides attending meetings, there is informal modeling at the store by each girl. I will be modeling for the second time on November 16. All those who wish to see us may come to A&S.

I am preparing a mailbox which will be placed in the lunchroom. All dressmaking, nursing, beauty culture and commercial girls are invited to write in questions and place them in this box. Answers will be furnished in future issues of the newspaper.



(Green and Gold photo by Denise McQuade)

The lovely Theresa Carrano has volunteered her services to all fashion conscious Whitneyites.

## Green and Gold Travels Our Traveling Reporters See Many Places of Interest

The staff members of the *Green and Gold* made two interesting visits since the start of the school term.

On September 25, Judith Slater and Virginia Torre went to a Science and Engineering Conference at Washington Irving High School. At this conference, they learned about the careers that are offered to those who are interested in pursuing a career in science and engineering.

Camille Maggio and Rosalie Madaio went to an interesting conference last June at the Overseas Press Club where they participated in panel dis-

cussions and careers in journalism. Among the guest speakers at this meeting was Jackie Robinson, whose firm, Chock Full O' Nuts, provided a free lunch to all the school representatives. In addition, they recently attended a fashion conference at A&S.

Doris Blizinska, Linda Fedele and Linda Karkosza saw recording star Buddy Greco at the Squire Inn Club. Mr. Greco told all the high school representatives about his background and singing career. After the meeting all the participants were invited to swim in the new club pool.

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# Whitneyites: A Word To The Wise is Sufficient

All high school students are faced with the problem of getting their work done and Whitney students are certainly no exception. This problem has no immediate solution since many students today do poorly in their school work. The fact of the matter is that most of us do not know how to study. So much more of our work would be easily accomplished if we properly managed our day.

Let us take a typical student, Jim Smith. Jim attends Eli Whitney Vocational High School and is an average student. All of his teachers tell him that he has outstanding potential but that he does not apply himself in school. Jim does not agree with them for his report cards tell another story. His parents seem to feel that he doesn't do much home study and therefore his marks suffer accordingly. Jim disagrees with this reasoning and states that he doesn't find it necessary to do any homework since he understands all the work. And besides, how much school-work can a fellow do anyway?

Jim's parents are called to school to speak with the school guidance counselor. The school is concerned about Jim's future because of his unsatisfactory grades and poor reading scores. He shows a natural talent in his shop work but he will not get a high school diploma since he has not achieved a minimum reading score. The parents of this young man are quite frantic for they had many hopes for him. They beseech the school guidance counselor for advice. The school has made plans to help students such as Jim.

A new after school study program has been organized to offer special help to students who require it. The program is strictly voluntary, and Jim must decide for himself if he is willing to make the sacrifice. Many of his friends try to discourage him by telling him that it will involve too much extra effort on his part. And furthermore, how will he ever find time to socialize with the gang? Jim is torn between two extremes and is in a quandary. However, he heard about his friend, Mike, who is sitting at home with no particular cares about the future. Mike's father couldn't even get him a job because he didn't possess a high school diploma.

Jim decides to try the after school study program. After the first week he is absolutely amazed. He is beginning to face the hard facts of reality. Jim discovers that he can't understand what he is reading! He is given paragraph upon paragraph to read, and when asked to summarize what he has read, he is at a loss for words. He is told by the teacher that he is reading without any purpose. When he is given paragraphs on different subjects, he simply goes through them in a very routine way. He reads everything about the same way, English, history, chemistry, and so forth. He plods through the sentences like a man going to work, and when he's through, he says, "I've read it."

Jim is satisfied with the progress that he has made, and he is now giving his work more attention. He is budgeting his time accordingly, and is making the most of his day. He now knows what he should accomplish each day, and he sticks to his schedule reasonably well. The use of the library after school has certainly improved his study habits. He is using many of the reference books in the library which he ordinarily did not have an opportunity to use.

It is important to budget one's time in a fixed way so as to enable one to meet all the requirements that each day demands of us. Many people have found it convenient to keep a record of their day's activities so as to be organized at all times. On a daily chart they have filled in the hours of the week; that is the hours when they are in class, when they are attending club meetings, hours for grooming, eating, sleeping, transportation, relaxation, job and study. Try this time budgeting and perhaps you will get a great deal more of your work done.

Many of you are interested in reading good books but you just can't seem to determine in your own mind whether you are reading great literature. The editors of *Green and Gold* have done some research and have compiled a list of some outstanding fiction. These books are recognized classics that have stood the test of time. Become interested in good reading and we are certain that you will have many rewarding moments.

### A. Great Masterpieces (for the more mature reader)

1. Austen—Pride and Prejudice
2. Bronte—Jane Eyre
3. Cervantes (edited by Perry Crane); Don Quixote
4. Crane—The Red Badge of Courage
5. Dostoevsky—Crime and Punishment
6. Hawthorne—The Scarlet Letter
7. Mann—Buddenbrooks
8. Melville—Moby Dick
9. Rolsvaag—Giants in the Earth
10. Wharton—Ethan Frome
11. Wolfe—Look Homeward Angel

### B. Adventure and Romance

1. Blackmore—Lorna Doone
2. Dumas—The Count of Monte Cristo; The Three Musketeers
3. Forester—Captain Horatio Hornblower
4. Guthrie—The Big Sky
5. Hilton—Lost Horizon
6. Hudson—Green Mansions
7. Lane—Let the Hurricane Roar
8. Kipling—Kim
9. Melville—Typee
10. Stevenson—Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde
11. Steinbeck—The Pearl
12. Verne—Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea

## New School Program Begins

By Ruth Dornellas

Eli Whitney Vocational High School is proud to announce the start of a new and important program. As a further incentive for all students to achieve a diploma upon graduation, Mr. Platt announces that all students who need assistance in reading, regents mathematics and written composition may report to an after school study program.

These special programs will be Tuesday through Friday from 3:30 to 5:30 P.M. and on Saturdays from 9:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. Students with special reading problems are especially urged to attend. Mr. Platt has called to the school's attention that the minimum reading score that each graduating senior must attain is 10.0. This means that all graduating seniors must be able to read at least on a tenth grade level.

Furthermore, the school library will be opened after school. Those who wish to study or do research may make use of our library from 3:30 to 5:30 P.M.

## Advice To Youth

(1) "Always obey your parents . . . This is the best policy in the long run, because if you don't, they will make you." (2) "Be respectful to your superiors." (3) "Go to bed early—this is wise." (4) "Now as to the matter of lying . . . Many a young person has injured himself permanently through a single clumsy and ill-finished lie."

(From "The Complete Essays of Mark Twain," Edited by Charles Neider.)



# The Faculty Discusses The Game of Basketball

Many member of our faculty have tried to determine why they have always come out on the wrong end of the score in the faculty-student basketball game.

Mr. Dolan insists that the teachers should take up dramatics as the students do. The students are just natural born actors.

Another teacher, who prefers to remain anonymous, declares that the success of the students is due to the fact that they have improved their proficiency by practicing gum throwing in the wastepaper basket.

Mr. Wayne announces that the teachers try to play the game in too scientific a manner whereas the students play the game merely for the fun of it.

One honest teacher remarks that the spherical shape of the ball reminds him very unhappily of the zeroes that he often hands out in class. Therefore he tries to avoid contact with the ball.

The Health Education staff blame the failure of the teachers in basketball on their poor physical conditions. Mr. Eiss would like to initiate a special gym class for the teachers so that they can stay in top physical shape.

Miss Waynesboro criticizes the officiating by the referee. She recommends that he see an eye doctor.

One teacher, who knows nothing about the game of basketball is happy, anyway about the results. He reasons that since the students are scoring many goals, then they must be achieving their aims.

Miss Deane is left speechless by the results of the game.

Mr. Platt finally saves our dear teachers. He is aware of the defeat of the teachers in the game but he attributes the teachers inefficiency to their hard and strenuous efforts during the regular school day.

Mr. Berkowitz summons the cries of the teachers by declaring, "Wait 'til next year."

# Whitney to Face Chelsea In Home Season Opener

By Linda Karkosza

The Whitney Basketball Team officially began its season at the senior-faculty game on November 7.

The returning lettermen include Thurmond Outlaw, John Hines, Walter Turner, Victor Cruz, Robert Williams, Robert Hill and Ben Trimmmons.

The remaining members of the team are all competing for starting spots on the varsity. The candidates include Lawrence Dickerson, Christopher Henry, Salvador Calossi, Robert Smith, Abdullah Hassan, Luis Colon, Nat Heyward, Richard Pastill, Lepolian Bethen, Reginald Brown, Robert Brown, Richard Myldy, Ralph Matthews, Bruce Levy and Henry Callazo.

Although the Whitney cagers finished last season with an 8-10 won-lost record, there are many hopeful signs in the forthcoming season. Many of our games last season were close affairs and this has given the boys a fine competitive edge. The coach is Mr. Horner.

# Varsity Schedule

Friday	November 15	Chelsea Vocational	Home
Tuesday	November 19	Bushwick	Home
Thursday	November 21	Queens Vocational	Away
Tuesday	November 26	Food & Maritime Trades	Home
Monday	December 2	Fashion Industries	Home
Thursday	December 5	*Hamilton Vocational	Away
Monday	December 9	Edison Vocational	Away
Wednesday	December 11	*Westinghouse	Home
Wednesday	December 18	*Eastern District	Home
Tuesday	January 7	Queens Vocational	Home
Thursday	January 9	*Automotive	Away
Wednesday	January 15	*Grady	Home
Wednesday	January 22	*Hamilton Vocational	Home
Tuesday	February 4	*Westinghouse	Away
Friday	February 7	*Eastern District	Away
Monday	February 10	Fashion Industries	Away
Friday	February 14	*Automotive	Home
Friday	February 21	*Grady	Away

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# ALL AROUND TOWN

During the coming year, *The Green and Gold* will occasionally highlight some of the important news it receives from high schools throughout the five boroughs. This report will try to keep the Whitney student body informed on what is going on AROUND THE TOWN.

Manhattan Vocational-Technical High School is holding a Christmas Drive for the benefit of the children confined to Metropolitan Hospital. Many students at this school volunteer their services to give needed assistance at the hospital and they help to make the patient's day at the hospital a pleasant experience.

Food and Maritime Vocational High School reports that one of its students, Hampton Clanton, will be seen in the forthcoming movie, "The Cool World." Hampton plays the part of "Duke," the hero of the film. The movie has been entered in the Venice Film Festival.

Midwood High School has begun a school-wide nickname contest. The school newspaper, *The Argus*, will select the five best nicknames and the entire school will vote for the winner in December.

Wingate High School students are deeply interested in the current freedom fight. One of their students, Larry Cumberbatch, joined thousands of Negroes and Whites in the August March on Washington.

A reading laboratory has been organized at Bishop Loughlin. Many new machines have been installed to increase students' reading speed and comprehension. The laboratory is aided by a special library of twelve-hundred books to supply reading material for the student.

Bushwick High School has just added a brand new, fully equipped swimming pool. The *Bushwick Bulletin* reports a Foster Parent Plan at the school, similar to Whitney's present program. A poor Chinese girl has been given a chance for a better life, due to the monthly contributions given by the school.

# WORLD SERIES: WHITNEY STYLE

Electricity generated through the Whitney halls during the first week of October. This excitement was stimulated by the mighty efforts of our dearly beloved Dodgers who were overpowering the big, bad New York Yankees. Many observations concerning this great event were recorded by snooping *Green and Gold* reporters, and are herewith presented:

## Why Study English?

This short excerpt was taken from a recent article in the *Scholastic Magazine*, *Practical English*. The article emphasizes the importance of mastering English during our school years.

"At one time there were many kinds of useful work that an uneducated person could do, and what schooling the average worker got was intended to make him a more intelligent voter. But now—is there anyone who needs to be told that times have changed? Almost any occupation you can name requires some "book learning." Education is now as vital to our economic system as it always has been to our political system.

Recently Secretary of Labor W. Willard Wirtz testified before a Congressional subcommittee on the nation's unemployment problem. Secretary Wirtz said that 20 per cent of the unemployed had not finished the eighth grade. There are no unskilled jobs available for them; yet many of them have so little education that they cannot be trained for the skilled jobs that are open. Among the applicants for a training program for janitors were many men who could not tell a box of detergent from a box of rat poison, because they could not read the labels. Mr. Wirtz asked Congress to approve funds for a new training program, to give such persons up to 52 weeks' instruction in the Two R's: reading and writing."

Newtown High School, in Elmhurst, N. Y., has students from all over the world. This year the school contains students from such countries as the Dominican Republic, Haiti, Turkey, Canada, Hong Kong, Argentina, Nicaragua, Yugoslavia and Cuba.

... In a radio and television shop all equipment was in go readiness.

... An unusual number of students were seen strolling through the halls with wires connected to their ears.

... Loud roars in many of the classrooms caused a great deal of concern in Mr. Wayne's office. Many of our science teachers feared that earthquakes were jolting the building.

... A student came late to school and reported to Mr. Goldstein that an usher who resembled a doorman wouldn't admit him to Ebbets Field. Mr. Goldstein referred him to the medical office for special help.

... In an American History class, a discussion on the Civil War resulted in the following situation. The teacher was reading an account of this great moment in history. The teacher reported how the Yankees were winning many skirmishes when a student interrupted: "Excuse me sir, but I must disagree with you. I just received word from my friend that the Yankees lost, 5-2."

For those of you who doubt our report, please consult *Ripley's Believe It or Not*.

## Attention Track Stars

The indoor track season begins on November 1. Any boy who is interested in running, shot put or the high jump should contact Mr. Makofsky in the locker room after dismissal. Support your team as a spectator or a team member.

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